

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Claim 2 has been canceled and claims 1 and 3 have been amended. Claims 1 and 3-16 are pending in this application.

Claims 1, 4 and 5 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Kish et al. However the Examiner has indicated that claims 2 and 3 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. In response, Applicant has canceled claim 2 and included all of the limitations of canceled claim 2 into claim 1. Claim 3 has been amended to be dependent on claim 1. Accordingly, it is believed that the rejection is now deemed moot and claim 1 and its dependent claims 3-5 are now allowable.

Applicant notes with appreciation that claims 10 and 12-16 are allowed.

All objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1 and 3-16 are now in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. If any issues remain to be resolved, the Examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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